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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. to file

Part B for Sept 39

SUBJECT.

Management of Sri Singeri Mutt properties situated outside the State

(84.49) Letter No. 565 / Mary 174-35-49 dt 15/9/39
To the Mag. Coorg.

WD 0295—GPB—22,500—13-8-37

Informs him that D.C.'s Statements may be submitted every half year for the information of Govt & that proper action should be taken towards Recovery of arrears

Box 611/39

Serial No.

Letter no. C 953/35-36 of 23-3-36 from the Muzaffarnagar Commissioner forwarding for perusal a copy of note from the officer in charge of Sri Singeswara Mills and stating that he would submit a report thereon as soon as he hears from Mr. N. Sivaramakrishna Sastri referred to therein.

(1) Submitted for perusal — The receipt of a further communication will if apprehended be awaited from the D.C.

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Letter no 955 of 30-3-36 from the Muzaffarnagar Commissioner requesting that the Law Section may be consulted and also the Government Advocate if necessary, whether the Officer in charge of Sri Singeswara Mills and the Tahsildar can institute proceedings for possession of the outside properties and manage them also in the case of those lands the State without a formal Power of Attorney from the Holders etc.

Law Secretary (in Confn.) —

GS 1/4/36

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Gen: Secy: for perusal.

Re: management of properties situated outside

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instance the Law Section will be consulted and the file submitted again

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Law Section)

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6) The management of the properties of Sri Sringeri Mutt has been taken over under Sec 25(3) of Regn VII of 1927. This Regulation cannot operate in respect of properties especially if they are real properties, situate outside empire. Govt or its officer appointed in this behalf cannot therefore enter upon possession of the lands & villages of the Mutt in British India except under a power derived from the Swami or from some competent authority in British India in accordance

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with the laws in force there. The same, I think applies to the further conduct of cases pending in Courts in British India. This is because under the principles of Private International Law the transfer or devolution of real property is always determined in accordance with the Law of lex Situs or the law of the land in which the property is situate. The lex-domicil applies at best only to personal property situate outside the country or territory of domicile.

No. 2. No. P 1782/35 Dated 6.4.36. (Govt Secy) mc 4/4

7) Forwarded to the Govt Advocate with compliments for favour of perusal.

M. Venkatesa Iyengar
6/4/36 Govt Secy

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865/35-36
dt 6-4-36

Returned with compliments.

8) I have suggested in this office U. O. No. 160, dated 9.4.1936 that a General Power of Attorney may be taken from the Jagadguru to avoid complications and - I have this day sent a draft of the Power of Attorney to the Muzrai Commissioner as desired by him. As a - general Power of Attorney is going to be executed by the Jagadguru, there should be no difficulty in the -

O. No. 166/35-36
dt 15.4.36

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management of the properties by the Officer-in-charg .

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Government Advocate.

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1) Subd for orders. Refce para 6 above
Guernsey)
17.4.36.

1a) Subd for perusal. The further comm
from the Murrai Court will be awaited
and a reminder sent in a week if no comm is rec.
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First Member)

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OFFICE OF THE FIRST MEMBER
20 APR. 1936
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Subd with a draft as no Comm is rec
is required

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For perusal before issue.
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No 1534 of 30-4-1936 to the Mysore Commissioner enquiring when the further Communication referred to therein may be expected.

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Letter No 1364 of 20.5.1936 from the Mysore Commissioner stating that a general Power of Attorney in his favour was executed by His Holiness the Jagadguru on the 7th instant

The Amrgai Comr. was requested to submit proposals for the future management of the affairs property of the Sri Srungeri matt outside the State. (Vide letter No. 1240/174-35-1 dated 3rd March 1936). The Amrgai Comr. has not submitted the report referred to above. His attention will be invited to this fact, if approved

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yes dcg 31/5/36

W of the 5th inst

21 Kindly see if is invited to the letter as above Shall Placed in the

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2-6-36 1938 5.6.36.

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No 1719 dt 10.6.36 to the Muzrai Commissioner
Calling for the submission of the report referred
to therein

from 1871

Letter no 1364/35-36 dt 22.7.1936
from the Muzrai Commissioner stating
that he has proceeded the officer
in charge of the properties of Sri Sringeri
Mutt to visit several places in Southern
India where Mutt properties are situated
& submit a report about their future
management. and requesting that the
action taken by him may be approved.

(2) Sanction of Govt. is required
for journeys outside the State
(Vide art. 43(b) of the Mysore Service
Regulations).

25.7.36.

(2) Gen. Secy) Mysore dtd 25/7/36
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of Sri Gurumurthi properties outside the State)

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40	No 223 dt 10-8-36 to the Muzrai Commissioner approving of the action taken by him in permitting the Officer in Charge of Sri Srinivasa Mutt to visit Places in Southern India where Mutt properties are located Memo No 224 dt 10/8/36 to the Comptroller forwarding Copy of the letter
	Letter no c1364/35-36 dt 18.1.1937 from the Muzrai Commissioner submitting a note of the Officer-in-charge of Sri Srinivasa Mutt properties as a result of his inspection of the Mutt properties situated in the Madura and Ramnad Districts containing proposals for the future Management of the estates referred to therein.
	28 The Statement referred to in para 2 of the P.N. dt is flagged K & the orders passed by the M.C. on the particulars specified therein are for perusal) or other orders
	29 The receipt of a further report on the subject will be noted & appd
	30) For favour of 31) Dw 28/1 - 2/II/- 32) 1/II/ 30/V Dw 30/1

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No further communication from the M. C re: the management of the outside prospects as a whole is so far received.

If agd, these papers will now be filed & the question taken afresh on receipt of a next Communication on the subject; also of the note by the Officer-in-Charge referred to on C.S. 2691

The Mungrai Comr. was requested ~~to report~~ in this office letter No. 1534 dated 30th April 1936 when a further communication in the matter may be expected. The Mungrai Comr. has replied that he has reminded the Officer in charge of the mutt for the submission of a report on the subject. May the Mungrai Comr.'s reply be awaited? He will be reminded about it if approved.

Enquiry made

7-1-38 Mutt of the office has visited the other prospects & Bukwa Hill prospects about the management of the outside prospects as instructed (vide para 3 of letter dt 1-6-37)

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Properties situated outside the State.

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Rs 108
28/28.1.38 from Mr

No 1070 of 31-1-1938 to the Muzrai Commissioner calling for submission of a report re: the management of outside properties of Sri Sringeri mutt as a whole.

Letter no C 1364/35-36 of 7-11-1938 from the Muzrai Commissioner stating that he has approved of the proposal of the Deputy Commissioner Kadur to send the Officer in charge to Madur to attend to the work specified therein.

3. The several items to engage the personal attention of the Officer-in-Charge have been enumerated in D.C's letter of 27-10-38, & the progress achieved so far has been furnished in the Statements appended to the D.C.'s. We accept the a further report after inspection of the outside properties of the mutt & the

Sent for Signature
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11/11/38
Gen. Secy

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Copy to Mr. Ind
29-4-39

From Mr 22/4/39

No 1898 of 29.4.39 to the Mysore Commissioner Calling for report referred to therein.

Letter No C 1364 of 22/8/39 from the Mysore Commissioner submitting a report of action taken so far about the management of properties situated outside the State and enclosing a Survey Plan.

Ans The M.C. refers to his letter of 15/8/39 & this is about surveying Certain Villages in Ramnad Dt; this deals both separately - The M.C. has stated that the question of getting other Villages in exchange for the existing 3 Arcot Villages as desired by the Swamiji can does not appear to be feasible ~~by leaving this~~ Villages surveyed has to be considered - He has sought views in the matter both a View to determine of encroachments on Syed Trust & have been made by the Ryots of Ramnad Zamindari.

x D No 262 Mr M.C. 17/8

Statement (remarks of the D.C. attached 2-3)

Where is this
Ans - This is enclosed See Plan Green Book 95/19.

Schedule for the management of prospecting
Colonyship to Sir Malcolm Murray, attached
overside

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It is stated that the subject has been dumping
fire for over three years — no definite
course of action is taken to reduce
arrears by way of remitting time-barred
arrears. Some steps with its predecessor
is under the management of Govt., Agartala
the H.C. will be asked to submit a
D.C.B. statement every quarter
these papers closed —

15 for orders —

Sd/ 30/8/39

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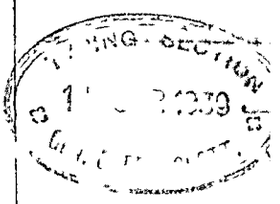
No. 565 of 15/9/35 to the Murray Commissioner intimating among other matters that in future a D. C. B Statement shall be submitted every half year —



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Enc: Note

OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER,
IN MYSORE,

Dated, Bangalore, 18th March *193* 6.

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FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, Esq., B.A.,
~~N. MADHAVA RAO, Esq., B.A., B.L.,~~
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

Muz 174-35-35

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
..... General .....*Department.*

GENERAL DEPARTMENT
25 MAR. 1936

SIR,

8/26/3

Properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

I have the honor to forward herewith for perusal a copy of a Note re. the above received from the Officer-in-Charge of the Sringeri Mutt. A further report with proposals for the future management of these properties called for in your letter No. 1240/ Muz. 174-35-14 dated 4th March 1936 will be submitted as soon as fuller details called for from Mr. N. Srikanta Sastry are received.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K V Anantaraman

Muzrai Commissioner.

Note on the properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the Mysore State.

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The Mutt owns extensive properties in the Madras and Bombay Presidencies and in some Native States. The bulk of the properties are in the Madras Presidency. The properties were being managed by Gurusevapravina Brah: N. Srikantha Sastry under a special Power of Attorney executed by His Holiness Sri Chandrasekhara Bharathi Swamigalu on 5-4-34 and the management was assumed by Government.

1. The Inam village of Tavatherandal in the Sivaganga Zamindari is a free gift for the support of Sri Chandramouliswara Swami in Sringeri. The village measures Wet 303-84, Dry 266-77, Service Inams 31-19, Unculturable 117-88, total 719 Acres 68 guntas and is subject to the payment of a khist of Rs 164-10-6 and cesses amounting to Rs 416-6-1. The village has not been surveyed and settled.

2. The marginally noted five villages are situated in the Ramnad Zamindari and is a gift by Bhaskar Sethupathi for Sarada Chandramouliswara Puja and Deeparadhana. These villages which are also not surveyed consists of - Wet 1169-34, Dry 1387-02, and are subject to the payment of Peshkhist of Rs 1158-10-3 and cesses amounting to Rs 529-4-1.

Village.	Wet.	Dry.
Pullangudi.	815-85	369-21
Pennandai	127-44	296-63
Tiruvadi	59-70	269-21
Chittudeyan	81-30	306-17
Pallamgolam.	85- 5	1387-02

3. The above villages and certain other properties referred in the succeeding paras of this note are under the management of a local agent Mr. S. Subramanya Iyer of Tirupatur and the following items of expenditure have been provided for in the budget estimate of the Mutt.

(i) Local Agent's Office Rs 91-0-0 per mensem.
(ii) Village Officers. 73-12-0 do do
(iii) T.A. Law charges etc. 398-0-0 do per annum.

The villages have not been leased out but worked [illegible] rent is payable in kind for wet lands and in cash for dry lands the land-lords share has to be collected by the local [illegible]

sold at the prevailing rate. The income derived from these villages during the previous five years is as follows:-

Year.	Tavatherandal.	Pullangudi &c., 5 villages.
1930-31.	4808-15-6	7956-14-0
1931-32	4708-13-11	3934-12-0
1932-33	3627-2-4	3820-13-5
1933-34	2670-9-9	6430-1-5
1934-35	2459-9-8	4384-13-0

The actual outstandings at the end of June 1935 amounted to Rs 1076-7-9 in respect of the former and Rs 11003-5-4 in respect of the latter. In the Budget Estimates for 35-36 the income from these villages has been shown as Rs 8500/-.

4. It is said that some years previously the Local Agent Mr. Subramanya Iyer and his father who was the previous Agent, appropriated to himself large sums of Village collections and there being no means of recovery the undermentioned properties were secured to the Mutt by means of a Registered Mortgage deed of Land June 34 with possession for 10 years.

(i) A village called " Dharmasana " Sendaneri in the Sivaganga Zamindari comprising of wet 94 A - 50G, Dry 80-64 subject to the payment of a khist of Rs 183-12-0 to Government. The wet lands are irrigated by a rainfed river called " Gritnamala ".

(ii) Two houses and vacant sites at Tirupathur.

The income from these properties during 1934-35 was only Rs 45-14-0 against a demand of 226-4-8.

The local agent being subject to the control and guidance of the Special Agent till now, no information is available as to whether the houses have been tenanted and what has been done with the vacant sites

5. The local Agent Mr. Subramanya Iyer does not seem to be prompt in collection and other work and is not at all responsive to the orders issued during the collection season and on other occasions. A man is sent from here to help him in his work. One Shama Jois has now been sent and even this too does not seem to have improved matters, let alone the additional cost involved in such deputation.

deputation. There is always the apprehension that even the amounts collected may not find their way into the Jahagir treasury, as no security has been taken from him and as it is not possible to exercise any effective control over his work owing to the long distance. A change of Agency with a view to better management of the properties seem to be imminent. The division of the crop between the landlord and the tenant and its sale are attendant with considerable risk and inconvenience not to speak of the abnormal reduction in the annual income owing to fluctuations in the market and the low price of paddy and other agricultural products. Disposal of the villages by lease for a limited number of years for each gutta seems to be the best in the circumstances of the case.

6. A loan of Rs 27000/- had been given to one Maddur Chandramouliswara Sastri of Rameswaram out of Kaladi Veda Pathasala Endowment Fund. 11 ½ shares of Tudurvalasai village in the Ramnad District out of 28 shares measuring 220 acres 3 guntas were subsequently purchased from the debtor in full satisfaction of the loan amount. The income from the Samudaya lands i.e., common to the entire village, which measure 149 A - 12 G is utilised for the maintenance of tanks, temples etc., at the place. In respect of further two loans of Rs 1555/- and 445/- advanced to the same individual two other bits of lands in the same village measuring 15 Acres - 52 Guntas and 9 Acres - 59 Guntas respectively were purchased by the Mutt by means of a registered document of 28th October 1933. The village is not surveyed and the lands are irrigated from a tank which is fed by the Vaighai river. These lands are also under the management of Mr. S. Subramanya Iyer. It is said that on account of failure of rains and the consequent inadequacy of water supply there was no harvest in past years. The following income was derived during the previous three years:-

1932-33 - Rs 185-6-6, 1933-34 - 775-11-5, 1934-35 - 729-13-2.

The extent of arrears outstanding in respect of these properties is not correctly ascertainable.

7. Besides a Matha, three houses are owned by the Sringeri Samstha at Rameswaram. The Matha seems to have been built in deference to the

deference to the wishes of the late Mr. Madapathi Venkateswara Rao Pantulu and an image of Sri Sankaracharya consecrated therein. The Sringeri Matha is one of the beneficiaries under the will of the late Mr. Madapathi Venkateswara Rao Pantulu in so far as it relates to the conduct of certain charities at Rameswaram and Benares.

According to the ~~xxxxxx~~ terms of compromise entered into by Guruseva Pravina Bra. Sri. Srikantha Sastrigalu the Matha is entitled to get an annuity of Rs 1985/- from the sale-purchaser of the estates ~~xxxxxxxx~~ of the late Mr. Pantulu towards the cost of services in addition to a lumpsum payment of Rs 3500/- towards the cost of constructing the Matha at Rameswaram. The matter is under separate consideration.

The house adjoining in the Varthaka Street were purchased from one Kodur Subramanya Sastry for Rs 4000/- which had been given to him from out of the " Bangalore Pathasala endowment fund ". This was on 17th June 1932 and no information is available in the Jaghir office whether these houses have been rented out and whether any income was realised. It seems to be best to dispose of these buildings by sale and invest the realisations in loan bonds or other securities.

II. TRAVANCORE STATE.

In addition to a cash grant of Rs 494 a year paid to the Matha, lands comprising of garden and wet and measuring 26 A - 6 G are endowed by the Travancore Burbar for the support of Sri Sankaracharya's shrine at Kalady. The lands are managed by the Superintendent of the Kaladi Charities and yield an annual income of Rs 400/-.

III. MADUR, TINNEVELLY, TRICHINOPOLY & SALEM DISTRICTS.

There are small bits of lands in the several parts of these districts which are for the most part gifts by private individuals and are now under the management of some local Gentlemen. The gifts are either for a particular seva or for the general benefit of the Matha. Statement of D.C.B. in respect of these properties are not obtainable and it is not possible to determine the actual income according to the institution and the extent of arrears etc., An earnest attempt is being now made to obtain the information from the concerned Agent and consolidate the sam

same (for particulars of these properties, please see statement appended).

IV. COIMBATORE DISTRICT.

It is in this District that the bulk of properties lie (a) Avanasi dry lands measuring 179 A - 16 G and assessed at Rs 225/- have been granted to the Matha as Inam. The lands which are subject to the payment of quitrent and cesses to the extent of Rs 200/- have been leased out for 99 years to several ryots for a cash rental of Rs 1400/- and one Mr. G.V. Ramakrishna Iyer has been appointed as Agent to collect the rents due. He is given a commission of 5 per cent on the collections made. The circumstances under which the lands have been leased out for a long term of 99 years are not known. There is an arrear of Rs 3473-11-2 outstanding in this village up to the end of 34-35. Out of the current demand of Rs 632/- only has been received and for the balance civil suits against the defaulters is said to be necessary.

(b) Bits of lands measuring 5 A in Kolumum and Kaniyur of Udumalpet Taluk have been endowed by private individuals for Nandadeepa in Sri Saradammanavara Sannidhi and are under the management of local gents. No account of their income and expenditure is maintained in the Jaghir Office.

(c) Lands measuring 12 A - 30 ¾ and assessed at Rs 100-7-3 in Pudukarai and Savandapura villages were purchased from one Mr. Pattabhi Rama Iyer for a sum of Rs 20000/- that had been lent to him from the " Bangalore Pathasala and Kaladi Chattram endowments' Fund ". These lands which are under the management of one Mr. P.R. Srinivasa Iyer have been leased out for an annual ( ) gutta for 159 salagais and 8 pallams of paddy and 138 bundles of hay, which according to market rate may realise about Rs 950/-. A sum of Rs 113-10-0 is due to Government on account of khists etc., For the current year Rs 921/- has so far been received and a small balance of about Rs 24/- is due.

(d) Wet lands measuring 17 A - 71 G and assessed at Rs 142-1-0 in Perumughai, Savandapur and Pudukarai villages, have been mortgaged with possession to the Matha by one Mr.S.S. Ramachandra Aiyer in respect of

of two loans of Rs 15000/- and Rs 1200/- lent to him from the Bangalore Pathasala Endowment Fund. The lands are also under the management of Mr. P.R. Srinivasa Iyer and have been leased for the current year for 209 salagais of paddy and 137 bundles of hay. An income of Rs 1200/- may be expected to be realised at current market rate and deducting the khists etc., payable to Government the net income may be taken to be Rs 1060/- which has to be adjusted towards interest at 5 % and principal. Negotiations seem to be afoot to purchase these lands outright for the Matha. For the current year 191-15-4 has been received so far.

(e) A sum of Rs 45000/- had been lent to one Mr. K. Narayana Sastry of Coimbatore and other members of the joint family, from " the Kaladi Vedantha Patasala and Adwaita Sabha bond ". For a portion of the loan viz., Rs 17500 lands measuring 11 A - 69 G and assessed at Rs 144-12-0 and situated at Kadathur in Udumalpet Taluk were purchased by the Matha under a deed ~~of~~ on 14th June 1933. For the balance of the loan of Rs 27500/- and accrued interest amounting to Rs 7000/- wet lands measuring wet lands measuring 20 A - 70½ of Karatholam village of the same taluk have been mortgaged with possession to the Matha. The lands are under the management of one Mr.C.A. Chellappa Iyer, Kaniyur. The former have been leased for S. 126-20 of paddy and the latter for 188-0 of paddy and Rs 120/- in cash. The Government dues on both the lands amount to Rs 422/- a year.

6. The right of the Matha for S.No.787 dry 23-28 of Kangayam village of Avanasi Taluk has been established by an or order of the Sub Judge Coimbatore, passed in appeal No.278 of 1916 and action to secure possession of the land is said to be under contemplation.

V. CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

Chinumapet otherwise known as Shrotriam Pattabhiramapura in Tiruthani Taluk is an inam for Puja, Naivedya and deeparadhane of Sri Saradamba Chandramouliswara etc. The village consists of Peramboke 116-95, Hiduvali 680-66 and culturable waste 127-37 and the (dry 370-9, wet 305-80, Garden 4-77) lands are irrigated by tanks. Jodi and cesses payable to Government amount to Rs 150/- a year and the village is expected to yield a revenue of about Rs 600/-. The amounts actually

actually received in the Jahgir office during the previous five years are as follows :-

1931-32 - 887/-, 32-33 - 996-14-0, 33-34 - 1346-5-0, 34-35 - 906-14-6
581-10-2

One Mr. T.C. Nataraja Mudaliar is the Agent and holds a Power of Attorney by the previous Agent.

VI. SOUTH CANARA DISTRICT.

S.Nos. 65 and 66 of Balakur in the Coondapur Taluk belong to the Matha and they are expected to yield an income of Rs 70/- a year.

VII. BELLARY DISTRICT.

The village of Haravi Basapur in the Harapanahalli Taluk is an Inam endowed for service in the Saradamba Temrle by Jagali Somasekhara Nayakara Basavappa Nayak in the year 1707 of Salivahana Saka corresponding to 1785-86 A.D. and confirmed during the Inam Settlement of 1866. The total Beriz of the village according to the Sannad is 2110-13-10 out of which 777-50 acres are under Hiduvali, the remaining exten being Jahagir. Cesses etc., amounting to Rs 133-2-3 are payable to Government. The village is not surveyed and is worked as Amani and a gross income of Rs 511/- is realised annually.

VIII. Dharwar District.

The village of Gangapur in the Gadag Taluk is a gift to the Matha for Deeparadhanai and other Dharma in Sri Saradamma Temple by Bahadur Jayanthibai Venkatapaiya in the year 1652 of Salivahana Saka. The Inam portion of the village measures 1066-14-8 and is assessed at Rs 228-10-According to the Lavani Patrika of 1932-33 the lands in Hiduvali measu Dry 715-36½ with an assessment of Rs 359-8-0 the remaining extent being composed of Service and other minor inams. The village is managed join -ly by Rango Ramachandra Josji and Ramachandra Rango Joshi and an income of Rs 360/- is realised annually.

Two other bits of land, one measuring dry 12 acres and the other measuring one fourth of pahani No.107 of Gajendragad Jahgir and Hebballi belong to the Matha. The Jahgirdar was remitting Rs 20/- annually to the Matha but no such remittance has been received for the

the past four years. The land at Hebballi is being managed by Ved. Nagesha Sastry of Bettageri and a sum of Rs 16/- is being received.

IX. AHEMADNAGAR DISTRICT.

The village of Pempalagaov in the Rahuri Taluk is a gift to the Math by Madaji Sind Raja in the year ~~18~~ 1793 - 94 A.D. including the recoveries made from the Kadim tenants the jamabandi of the village is Rs 890-5-3 which is distributed as follows:-

Jahagirdar - 469-2-11. Govt. Khist etc., 258-3-5, Payment to hakdars- 162-15-11.

The village is managed by the District authorities and the Jahgirdar's share of income less a sum of Rs 16-4-3 is made over for the maintenance of the Nasik Matha. The circumstances under which the village came to be managed by Government and the payment is being made to the Nasik Matha are not known. It was a gift to Sri Satchidanand Bharathi Swamigalu for "

RAMDRUG.

Dry 131 measuring 27-21 and assessed at Rs 61/- and another land in Konanur - particulars not known - in the Ramdrug state are endowed to the Matha. The former is expected to yield an income of Rs 180/- a year and the State authorities who used to remit the realisation have not done so since 1930-31 and the matter is under correspondence. An income of Rs 20/- per annum is being realised in respect of the latter.

The Government Agent of Sri Kudli -ringeri Matha who constantly tours in these parts may perhaps be instructed to visit these places wherein the above properties are situated and make needful enquiries with a view to improve the income now realised and to arrange for the lands being leased afresh.

Besides the above there are branch Mathas at several places and they are managed by the local people by means of subscription raised among themselves or by Depparadhanai kanike etc., A list of the Branch Maths is attached.

Sd. Y. Srikantaiya.
Officer in Charge.

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER,
IN MYSORE,

Dated, Bangalore, 28th March 1936.

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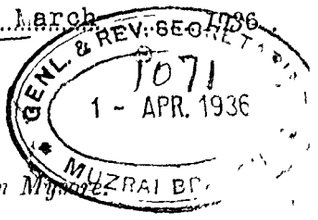

FROM K. V. ANANTARAMAN, Esq., B.
N. MADHAVA RAO, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

Muz 174-35-36

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General *Department.*

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SIR, 1/4/36

Properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

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With reference to your letter No.1240/Muz.174-35-14 dated 4th March 1936 re. the nature of the Power-of-Attorney held by Mr. N. Srikanta Sastry, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of lett of the 17th instant received from him stating that only in six instances he has exercised his power under the Special Power-of-Attorn and that all accounts, documents and connected records were finally sent to Sringeri on 11th November 1935.

2. A copy of the Special Power-of-Attorney executed by His Holines the Swamigalu on 5th April 1934 in favour of Mr. Srikanta Sastry is enclosed. No doubt, Mr. Srikanta Sastry has been informed that in view of His Holiness' indisposition and of the order passed by Government, the Power-of-Attorney held by him has ceased to be valid. Now that the Jahgir and Mutt properties have been taken under Government management under Section 25(3) of the Mysore Religious and Charitable Institutions Regulation, it has to be decided whether the Officer-in-charge of the Sringeri Mutt and Jahgir can enter upon possession of the outside properties and manage them as in the case of those within the State without a formal Power-of-Attorney from His Holiness and whether he may apply to the courts in British India for being substituted as either plaintiff or defendant as the case may be in place of Mr. Srikanta Sastri and conduct the cases on behalf of the Mutt. I request you to kindly consult the Law Section and the

Government Advocate, if necessary, and favour me with instructions in the matter early.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Muzrai Commissioner.

ter dated 17-3-36 from Gurusevapravina N. Srikanta Sastry, Ramana
P.O., to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

In reply to your letter No.C.955/35-36 dated 12-3-1936, I have the honor to state as follows:-

I retired from the office of Agentship from Sringeri Mutt on 1-7-1931. From that time up to 22-12-1934, I visited Sringeri now and then, seven times, at the desire of His Holiness the Swamiji. During the periods of my stay with the Swamiji at Sringeri as well as my stay outside, and as desired by His Holiness, I used to give suggestions regarding important religious and secular affairs of the Mutt to the Swamiji and his agents either personally or in writing.

When I was at Sringeri in April 1934, His Holiness desired that I should, with my experience and efforts, render some assistance to the officers of the Mutt by making satisfactory arrangement for the management of the Mutt villages and branch Mutts situated outside Mysore State, as well as for the collection of the amounts due to the Mutt from persons outside the State. It was to enable me to do this, that a Power-of-Attorney was given to me on 5-4-1934.

Since 5-4-1934, I visited only some South Indian districts thrice. During my tours for the purpose of inspecting the Mutt properties and conducting enquiries, the agents of the Mutt had sent the Tamil clerk of their office with the connected accounts, documents and other records. After my return from the circuit, I sent back the accounts and other records with the same clerk who had accompanied me.

Since 5-4-1934, I have not appointed any new agency nor any fresh establishment in any Mutt villages or branch Mutts. The moveables of the several institutions are in the custody of their local officials who are responsible for them. The lists showing details about these must be found in the Agent's Office at Sringeri.

Under the authority of the Special Power-of-Attorney executed by His Holiness, I have exercised my power only in these cases:- (1) Properties situated at Gobichettipalyam, Coimbatore District, had been previously mortgaged with possession for Rs 20,000 and those properties have been purchased for the same amount and a sale deed obtained from one person; (2) a sum of Rs 19,250 was due from Srimathi Akhilandammal, daughter of Inrasdar late Avadi Pillay, Bhishandar Koil, Trichiniopoly District. As the amount was on a promissory note and thus unsecured, a hypothecation deed for the full amount was obtained on sufficient and proper security of immoveable

properties, and the deed got registered; (3) a compromise was arrived at and a razinama decree obtained in the appeal filed in the Madras High Court in connection with the charities which have to be conducted in the Sringeri Mutts at Benares and Rameswaram in accordance with the Will executed by the late Mr. Madapati Venkateswara Rao Pantulu; (4) Srimathi Laxmiammal, wife of late Mr. G. P. Venkateswara Iyer of Gobbichettipalyam, owed Rs 30,000 and odd (principal and interest) to the Mutt. 13 acres and 20 cents of wet land out of the mortgaged properties were purchased for Rs 29,160 at the rate of Rs 1,600 per acre and the balance of the amount has been arranged to be remitted to Sringeri. This transaction took place in February last and was completed after the receipt of a letter dated 25-12-1935 written by the Agent, intimating me of the sanction of His Holiness; (5) Subrahmanya Iyer of Thirapattur, Ramnad District, the Agent of the inam villages belonging to the Mutt in that district, owed nearly Rs 14,000 and for his dues a usufructuary mortgage of his inam village called Sandanadi situated in Sivaganga Jamindari in Ramnad District, has been obtained; (6) a suit has been filed (O.S.No.218 of 1935) in the Subordinate Judge's Court at Coimbatore for Rs 15,000 principal, and Rs 6,000 and odd interest due from Kaliyanna Gowndar and others of Pudupalam, ~~xxxxxx~~ Gobechettipalyam Taluk. This suit is still pending.

As mentioned above, I have finally sent on 11-11-1935 to Sringeri, the accounts, documents and all the connected records with the Tamil clerk of the Agent's office who had brought them to me. Hence, I regret that I am not in a position to give the details asked for in the letter under reply.

The sale deed and other records received recently from Srimathi G.P. Laxmiammal of Gobbechettipalyam, were despatched on 2-3-1936 to the Officer-in-charge of the Mutt, per registered post.

The Special Power-of-Attorney of 5-4-1934 has been filed along with the plaint ~~x~~ in O.S.218 of 1935 in the Coimbatore Subordinate Judge's Court and hence could not be returned. I have herewith sent for your kind perusal, private copies of written statements filed by the defendants in the case and sent by the plaintiff's Advocate for my information. I believe that the counsel has also sent separate copies to the Agent at Sringeri.

"COPY"

M. N Ananthan

For Huzrai Commissioner.

On Rs.7-8-0 stamp paper.

To our worthy and trusted disciple Sadachara Pravarthana Praveena, Guruseva Praveena Bramhasri, N. Srikantha Sastrigal of the Sringeri Mutt and Samsthanam and to all others whom it doth, may, or shall, concern, We, His Holiness Sri Chandrasekhara Bharathi Swami, the Jagadguru of the Sringeri Mutt and Samsthanam, in the Province of Mysore, India, do hereby send greeting whereas the Sringeri Mutt and Samsthanam have been possessed and are possessed of movable and immovable properties, different kinds of institutions, large outstandings and other transactions of a varied nature both inside and outside the Mysore State and WHEREAS the management of such institutions and properties and the satisfactory settlement of the outstandings and claims, so far as they are situated or concerned or have relation to persons or properties or transactions residing in or occured out of Mysore demand special intimate knowledge of the past events, minute details, and the persons concerned as well as forsighted outlook with regard to future possibilities, and also require and call for the careful adoption of well-considered measures and special treatment of individual cases, in the interests of the Mutt and Samsthanam and the connected Institutions.

And Whereas, WE are personally aware and are fully confident that you possess all the required qualifications in the fullest degree and your past connection for the past forty-five years, with the Sri Mutt, and all the Institutions connected therewith as well as all the properties and transactions thereof conspicuously mark you out as the one competent person of outstanding merit and experience capable of bringing about and making a proper, satisfactory and beneficial settlement and adjustment.

Whereas it is therefore now our pleasure how to appoint you as Special Agent and Attorney for such time as it shall please us.

NOW KNOW YE that we do hereby appoint you to be our true and lawful Agent and Attorney for us, and in our name and as out act and deed, or in your own name for and on behalf of ourselves and as our act and deed, to make satisfactory arrangements for the control and management of all movable and immovable properties including village outside the Mysore State as well as the payment of Revenue, leasing out of properties on permanent or precarious tenure, collection, either

either through Court or otherwise or in any other lawful manner whatsoever, Revenues and other dues in kind, coin or both,

And to collect the outstanding debts due to the Samsthanam either directly, thereto, or on account of Institutions of the Samsthanam for which they form endowments, either by way of receiving payments in cash or purchasing of properties or accepting other securities, on taking a pledge, mortgage or lease or by otherwise bargaining, negogiating or effecting necessary transfers of properties or securities.

And for the purpose of satisfactory effectuating the above objects, to appoint and at pleasure the same to remove all such persons or person as you may consider expedient or necessary and to grant, execute, all such leases, or documents according to law, and if it is apprehended that the income of any such lands or securities connected therewith is less than the rents and profits thereof and the costs of the necessary cultivation or preservation, to sell the said lands to the best advantage or to resign them and to make all necessary arrangement for the maintenance and upkeep of all the buildings on the Inam and other lands and the Institutions belonging to our Samsthanam in any place, land or country and entrust the said buildings and other properties to any person or persons, when the upkeep of such buildings or properties should prove or is likely to prove to be a loss to our Samsthanam and to sell or lease all such properties as may not in your opinion be required by our Samsthanam and to purchase such properties as may in your opinion be needed or desirable to do so, and to collect by all possible lawful ways and means all revenue, income, moneys, and property due to our Samsthanam and to grant receipts therefor,

And on our behalf to exercise all the powers that we possess or may possess for the management and settlement of the aforesaid Institutions, properties and transactions.

And further for our proper use and behalf in the premises to demand, levy, sue for recovery and receive by all lawful ways and meanswhatsoever, whom it doth, shall, or may concern all and every sums or sum of money, debts, dues, effects, and things whatsoever which now are and shall be and do grow due owing payable or belonging

belonging to us upon or by virtue of any bill, bond, or book or ~~d~~ upon accounts or in any other ways howsoever and to grant time for payment, concessions, remissions, reduction in principal, interest or rate therefo or both, or obtain in lieu of money dues landed or other securities by way of mortgage, sale or otherwise and grant renewals of loans or leases or dispose of properties by sale, mortgage, lease, release, exchange, assignment or otherwise or compromise or submit to arbitration all disputes arising under the premises and enforce, rescind, or modify agreements or contracts that may have been or may be entered into and make suitable fresh investments or accept releases and relinquishments on our behalf,

And if need be to call to account and bring to a reckoning all or any persons or person concerned in the premises and upon receipts and recovery of any such sum or sums of money, debts, dues, goods, effects or other things or any part thereof sufficient acquittances and discharges for us and in our name from time to time to make and give, giving and by these presents granting unto our said Agent and Attorney full power and authority in and touching the premises and sue, pursue, attach, arrest, seize, sequester, implead, condemn and prosecute and thence and thereof to acquit and discharge and out of prison to release and to appear for us to represent in all or any Courts or Court or other places or Offices, to prosecute or defend any proceedings as Plaintiff, Complainant, or petitioner or respondent, defendant, Counterpetitioner or apponent in any suit, appeal, action, or proceeding for or by reason of the premises likewise one or more attorney or Attorneys under him according to law from time to time to set, substitute and appoint and again at pleasure to revoke, and to execute any and every document that may be necessary in the exercise of the authority conferred hereunder and Generally to do, act, and perform all other matters and things in and towards the premises, requisite and expedient as fully as we ourselves might or could do were we presonally present and we hereby ratify and confirm all that our said Agent and Attorney or his substitute or substitutes shall do or cause to be done in the premises, always acknowledging the same to be done as fully and effectually, as if we were personally present.

And to the extent and for the purpose covered by these presents

presents the authority we had given to our worthy and trusted Agent, Gurubhaktha Tilaka Rao Bahadur, N.S. Nanjundiah, of the Sringeri Mutt and Samsthanam by virtue of the General Power of Attorney executed by us on the 5th of July 1931, may as long as and so far as may be necessary be deemed to be revoked by virtue of these presents. IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE have set OUR HAND and SEAL this Thursday the fifth day of the month of April One thousand nine hundred and Thirty-four,

Signed, sealed and delivered by
His Holiness Sri Chandrasekhara
Bharathi Swami in the presence of

SD/- N.S.Nanjundiah,
Agent, Sringeri Mutt,
5-4-34

Executed before me this fifth day of April 1934 at Sringeri.

SD/- K.Subrahmanya Sastry,
Deputy Amildar Magistrate,
Ex-Officio 2nd Class,
Sringeri.

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File No. 174-35

Serial No. 37

No. 1584

Diary No. of letter replied to .....

To

Mr M.C

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir, I am directed to invite
~~Intd~~ reg.d my ~~an~~ letter
No 955-/35-36 dy 30.3.36
Re: prospects of Sri Sangeri
Mutt situated outside the
State, I am directed ~~to~~ state
~~that the Govt Advocate~~ (now) is this
and to
~~H.o note 166/35-36 dy 15/4/36~~
~~forwarding a~~
~~letter that he had sent to you~~
~~on the same~~ (65) a Sth of the General Power
of Attorney to be taken from
Sri Sringeri Mutt
Sri Hariharan Swamigal ~~and~~
Which the G.A. is understood to have sent by
~~that~~ ~~this~~ a further communication
and to enquire when
~~from you to Govt~~ the
Examined by... .... in the matter may be expected

Date of issue 30-4-36 .....

Signed by Asst to Revenue Minister

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OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. 1584/R-35 *Dated, Bangalore,* 30th April 1936

From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to your letter No.955/35-36 dated 30th March 1936 regarding properties of Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State and to enquire a draft of the General Power of attorney to be taken from His Holiness the Swamigalue of Sri Sringeri Mutt which the Government Advocate is understood to have sent to you and to enquire when a further communication from you in the matter may be expected.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

General Secretary to Government.

OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

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Bangalore, ...20th May..... *1936.*

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FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., M.A., Mug 174-35-3
Secretary to Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,

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.....General.....*Department,*

SIR,

Management of the properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt outside the State.

In continuation of this office letter dated 6th May 1936 ... the above, I have the honor to state that it is reported by the Officer-in-charge, Sringeri, that a general Power-of-Attorney in his favour was executed by His Holiness the Jagadguru on the 7th instant.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
M. V. Anantaraman.
Assistant Commissioner
For Muzrai Commissioner.
(Absent from headquarters)

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Date of issue 10.6.1936

Signed by G.D.S.

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File No.

Serial No.

No. 1719

To

The M.C.

Sir,

I write with reference your letter No 13864/35-36 dt 20/5/36 regarding the Management and the Repairs of Sri Srinivasa Mutt outside the State, I am directed to invite reference to this Office letter no 1260/Mug 174-35-1 dt 3.3.1936 wherein the submission of proposals for the future management of the Mutt outside the

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Called for and ~~[illegible]~~.

~~That the report would~~ [illegible]

to request you hold

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 22nd July 1936.

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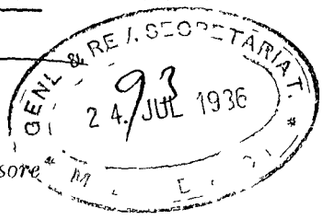

FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
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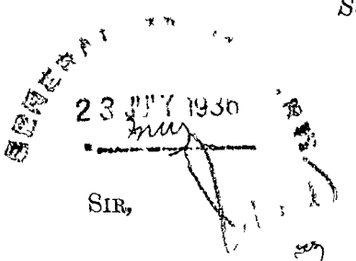

SIR,

Management of the properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 1719 Muz. dated 10th June 1936 re. the above, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter dated 15th July 1936 together with a copy of its enclosure received from the Deputy Commissioner, Madur District, and to state that in the circumstances represented by the Officer-in-Charge I have permitted him to visit the places in Southern India where~~in~~ the Mutt properties are situated and submit a report about their future management. I request that the action taken by me may kindly be approved.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. V Anantaraman

Assistant Commissioner
For Muzrai Commissioner.
(Absent from headquarters)

ted 15-7-36 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, to Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Adverting to your letter No.C.1364/35-36 dated 18th June 36, re. the future management of properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt, situated outside the State, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No.223/1 dated 1st July 36 from the Officer-in-Charge, Sringeri, requesting permission to visit during next two months the places in Coimbatore District where the important properties are situated so that he may submit necessary proposals and to state that he may be permitted to visit these places and give definite proposals for the proper management of these properties.

"C O P Y"

M N Ramaswamy

For Muzrai Commissioner.

Letter No.223/1. dated 1-7-36 from the Officer-in-Charge, Sringeri Mutt, to the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, Chikmagalur.

With reference to your Memo No.4011/35-36 dated 22nd June 36, calling for proposals for the future management of the moveables and immoveables properties of the Mutt, situated outside the State, I have the honor to state that with a view to submit the proposals, local knowledge of the properties is necessary. The most important properties are situated in the Coimbatore District and in the Ramnad and Sivaganga Zamindaries and if approved I will visit the places in the course of the next two months and then submit the necessary proposals. During July, I propose touring in the several villages of the Ramnad District from the 10th to 25th.

"C O P I E S"

M N Ramaswamy

For Muzrai Commissioner.

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Section M113

File No. 174—35—

Serial No. 40

Diary No. of letter replied to ....

No. 223

To

The M.C.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No 1364/35-36 of 22.7.1936 in the matter of the management of properties of Sri Singara Mudali Schools during the State, I am directed to convey approval to the action taken in forwarding the objections in charge of Sri Singara Mudali proposing to [illegible]

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Signed by ... for S.C.S. .....

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about their future arrangements.

Yours etc

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore,... 18th. January.... 1937

Muz 174—35—41

FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
.....General..... *Department.*

GENERAL SECRETARY.
20 JAN. 1937

SIR,

Management of the properties of the Sri Ahobilam Mutt situated outside the State.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 33/Fin.174-35-40 dated 15-3-1936 re. the above, I have the honor to forward herewith a note* submitted by the Officer-in-Charge, on the result of his inspection of the Mutt properties situated in the Madura and Nellore Districts containing proposals for the future management of these estates.

2. For convenience of reference, I submit herewith a statement showing the suggestions made by the Officer-in-Charge in respect of several matters, the remarks of the Deputy Commissioner and the orders passed by me, is enclosed. A copy of this statement has been sent to the Deputy Commissioner with a request to instruct the Officer-in-Charge to take further action as ordered and submit a final report not later than 30th April 1937.

3. The Officer-in-Charge has not been able to visit some of the outside properties situated outside the State and he will be directed to do so early and submit further reports with definite proposals about the management of the outside properties as a whole.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K. V. Ananthanarayanan
Muzrai Commissioner.

Note on the management of the villages belonging to the Sringeri Mutt in Madura District.

As per Muzrai Commissioner's order No.C.1364/35-36 dated 14-8-1936, communicated with Deputy Commissioner's memo No. 4019/35-3 dated 1st September 1936, I inspected the properties belonging to the Mutt in Madura and Ramand Districts. The Mutt owns 7 whole villages and 11½ Vrittis of Dharmasan Redurvalasai village in Ramnad and Sivaganga Zamindaries as noted below:-

1. Thavatharendal.
2. Sendanadi.
3. Pullangudi
4. Thiruvadi.
5. Pannadai.
6. Palangulam.
7. Chittudayan.
8. 11½ Vrittles in Puduralasai.

Besides the above, the Mutt also owns two houses and a vacant site in Tirupattur and two houses and a Mutt in Rameswaram and another Mutt in Madura Town. The properties in Rameswaram are under the management of one Maddur Chandramowleswara Sastri and the Madura Mutt under Mr. Khajana Lakshmana Rao and all the remaining properties are under the management of another local agent Mr.S.Subramanya Iyer. 2. Out of the above 7 villages, Thavatharendal and Sendanadi are situated in Sivaganga Zamindari and the remaining villages in Ramnad District. It is seen from previous records that when His Holiness Sri Narasimha Bharati Swamigal toured in these parts he stopped for Chaturmasya Sankalpa in Ramnad as per invitation extended by the Raja of Ramnad Sri Raghunatha Sethupathi. In view of the kind condescension of His Holiness to stay in his place and inview of the several blessings showered on him on the occasion of his installation on the Gadi and on other occasions he gifted on 15th September 1894 Pullangudi village for meeting the Deeparadhana and other expenses in Sri Sarada and Sri Chandramowleswara Temples at Sringeri. On 24th October 1894 a further gift of 4 villages viz., Thiruvadi, Pannandai, Palangulam and Chittudayan was made by the same Raja as a further instalment of his charities to the Mutt to perpetuate the sevas in the Temples. Thavatharendal was granted by the Zamindar of Sivaganga and according to the gift deed the grant was made so that the income may be available for meeting the expenses of the Matam such as the worship of Sri Chandramowleswara Swami in the Matam, and feeding of Brahmins

and to keep up the dignity of the Matam and the ones who presides over it. The other two villages viz., Sendanadi and Pudurvalasai were recently ~~acquired~~ acquired by the Matam by sale and mortgage. Sendanadi belongs to the present agent Subramanya Iyer. Some years back the present agent's father owed to the Mutt Rs.7000/- and this together with the amount due by the present agent amounted to Rs.14,000/- and there being no means of recovering the amount the above village together with two houses in Tirupattur village belonging to him was secured to the Mutt by means of a mortgage deed of 22nd June 1934 with possession for ten years. Similarly 11¼ shares out of 28 shares in Pudurvalasai and two other bits of land belonging to him in the same village were purchased by the Mutt from Maddur Chandramouleswara Sastri, in satisfaction of a loan of Rs.29,000/- outstanding against him under registered document of 28th October 1933. There was another item of loan of Rs.4,000/- outstanding against one Kodur Subramanya Sastri of Rameswaram and the two houses in "Vartakar" Street were taken possession of by the Mutt in adjustment of the above loan. The Temple at Madura is very old one and the one at Rameswaram is recent. It was built in deference to the wishes of late Madapathi Venkateswara Rao Pantulu and an image of Sri Shankaracharya has been consecrated therein.

3. Thavatharendal is situated about five miles from Tribhuvanam Railway Station and is served by a District Board road except to a distance of about 2 miles. It has 4 tanks out of which one is a major one and the others minor. The Major tank is in the Vaigai series and generally receives sufficient supply of water if there are floods in the river. The soil is fertile being a mixture of clay and sand. Sendanadi is 7 miles to the north of Thavatarawal and very difficult to approach for want of a proper road. The village tank is in a very neglected condition the bund in some places being almost on a level with the bed of the tank. Pannandai, Palangulam and Chithodayan form a group of villages a few miles apart from each other and about 10 miles from Mudukalattur, which is a Taluk Head Quarters. Mudukalatt is reachable by bus and beyond this it is all country track and travell is said to be very difficult during rainy season. Each of these villages has also got a tank which is rainfed and as in the case of

other villages they are also in a neglected condition and requires usual annual repairs and maintenance. On the main road from Ramnad to Paramagudi and about half a mile from Pandya Kadaman Railway Station is situated Thiruvadi, a small but neat village. The major portion of population consists of Harijans. Pullangudi is six miles from Ramnad town on the road leading to Navapashana and Valase about equal distance from Paramagudi Railway Station. The tanks in these villages are valuable assets to the Jahgir if properly maintained. Pullangudi Tank is the last tank in the Vaigai series and Valsai tank is higher up in the same series. Both are fed by means of chanels drawn directly from the river, but the feeders, especially of Pullangudi tank, are silted up with sand deposit, and the tanks consequently do not receive proper supply of water even when the river is in floods. Earth work for each of these tanks has been executed a few years back at a cost of nearly Rs.6000/- and if the feeders are put in order, and arrangements made to fill the tank in proper time there will be extensive wet cultivation which will bring in more income to the institution. An estimate for effecting necessary repairs to the feeder chanels has been called for and will be submitted on its receipt. The extent of dry, wet and garden lands in each of these villages and the amount of Pesn kist and cesses due is noted below:-

Village.	Nature and extent of land.			Govt.dues to be paid annually.	
	Dry.	wet.	Garden	Poruppu. Rs.	Cesses. Rs.
1. Thavatarendal	712-14.	457- 2.	...	164-10- 6.	251-11- 7.
2. Pullangudi	369-21.	815-85.	...	403-13- 9.	248- 2-10
3. Tiruvadi.	269-21.	59- 7.	...	115-11-10.	75- 3- 3
4. Pannandai.	296-63.	127-44.	...		
5. Palangulam.	145-80.	85- 5.	...	619- 8- 0.	205-13- 4.
6. Chithudayan.	306-17.	81-30.	...		
7. Pudurvalase.	181-66.	63-49.	...	11- 5- 0.	133- 2- 1.
8. Sendanadi.	80-64.	94-50.	...	54-12- 0.	131- 0- 0-

It will be seen from the above that Thavatharendal, Pullangudi and Valasai containing as they do, large extent of wet lands and good tanks, are very good Revenue yielding villages in years of normal rainfall if properly and deligently managed. The villages being un-

surveyed rents are levied both in cash and in kind Bijavari extent. The rates vary in Ramnad and Sivagang The nature of the tenure is mostly permanent. In the case of dry lands a cash rent varying from.10 annas to Rs.1-4-0 per Kurakkam of land (equivalent to 50 cents in Sivaganga Zamindari and 90 cents in Ramnad Zamindaris) is levied according to the crop shwn. In regard to Nanjai or wet lands rent is levied in kind and not in cash. 1/5 the produce realised by each tenent is set apart for harvesting purposes and the remaining 4/5 is shared in equal halves by the land lord and the tenent. Out of the 1/5 share set apart for harvesting is given over to the cultivator to cover cultivation expenses and th remaining 2/5 is taken by the land lord for Mahamme (Charity), Moni (taxes for service Inams) Satantram (emoluments), Tnisagaval (watch of guard expenses) etc., in addition to the above rent, Education and Local cesses are also collected calculated on the tota demand against each tenant. The cesses levied by no means covers the amount paid to the Zamindar every year. The cesses due to the Zamindari are fixed by the Govt. Deputy Collector on the basis of the income of the village, the income being calculated at 8½ rupees per Bai of Nanja land cultivated and 7½ annas per kurakkam of Punja(Dry) land cultivated and revised only once in three years. While the demand of the land lord varies every year according to extent of cultivation and price of produce, the amount due to the Zamindari is fixed for three years at a time.

Every month the Karnam of the village prepares a cultivation account and sends copies thereof to the Peshkar and the Thasildar. The twelve monthy cultivation accounts are added and the extent of dry and wet lands, cultivated by each ryot is posted in the ledger and th ledger and the cash rent and cesses due from each Pattadar fixed. A Patta showing the demand against each ryot is served on him before 30th June of each year and the collections against the said demand will be made during the next year. In case any crop other than paddy is grown on wet lands when water is available in tanks, a cash rent calculated on the average yield of paddy in the village and the prevailing market rate is levied in respect of such lands. The transactions in respect of current demand only are carried on in

ledger and collections in respect of old arrears are noted in separate Register called the Vasul Baki Register. In Thavathaendal I checked the demand in respect of half a dozen Kuatas and found he calculations to be correct.

The income derived from the above villages for the last 5 years or the year from which they came to the possession of the Mutt is noted below:-

illage.	1931-32. Rs.	1932-33. Rs.	1933-34. Rs.	1934-35. Rs.	1935-36. Rs.
Thavatharendal.	4708-13-11.	3627- 2- 4.	2673- 9- 9.	2459- 9- 8.	2565- 5- 0.
Pullangudi.	914- 7- 1.	1284-15- 0.	4451-13- 8.	2958- 5- 7.	1295- 9-10.
Thiruvadi.	833- 2- 4.	513- 7- 9.	544-14- 4.	430- 4- 9.	360- 9- 7.
Pannandal, Palangulam, Chithodayan.	"2279- 1- 9.	2099-13-10.	1378-10- 8.	995- 2- 8.	788- 6- 6.
Pudurvalasi.	- - -	189- 6- 6.	479-10- 5.	359-13- 2.	133- 0- 0.
Sendanadi.	- - - - - - - - -			47-15- 0.	129-10- 0.
Total.	8735- 9- 1.	7710-13- 5.	9528-10-10.	7251- 2-10.	5772- 9- 0.

"Includes price realised for previous years' paddy.

The accounts prior to 1931-32 show that the average income from the villages was more than Rs.10,000/- Since 1931 the income has steadily declined and it is practically negligible in case of Valasai and Sendanadi during the previous year. It is explained that this decline is due to successive bad harvests especially for the last three years on account of failure of rains and the lowering of price of paddy. Considering the heavy price of Rs.29,000/- and mortgage amount of Rs.14,000/- that has been paid to Valasai and Sendanadi villages the income has been very discouraging ever since they came to the possession of the Mutt. This year all the tanks except Valasai and Pullangudi have already received about 3 months supply of water and there is every prospect of a good harvest.

The Total arrears in the several villages except Sendanadi on 1st July 1936 was Rs.7802- 2- 7 as detailed below:-

1. Thavatharendal.	Rs. 768-
2. Pullangudi.	2447- 3-
3. Thiruvadi.	869- 0- 7.
4. Pannandai.	1802-15- 2.
5. Chithodayan.	956-14- 2.
6. Palangulam.	957-14- 5.
7. Pudurvalasai.	. .
8. Sendanadi.	acurate figures not available.

and in July there has been no collections except Rs.47/- in Thavat and Rs.23/- in Thiruvadi. In Thiruvadi a sum of Rs.70/- was colle in my presence, and out of the balance of 869-0-7, nearly 160 rupee was due from 2 kulas viz., the karnam of the village and one Mr.San the father-in-law of the present Raja of Ramnad. The arrears outs ing are very heavy in Pullangudi and the three village comprising Pannadai division and the arrears in Palangulam village relate to the year 1926 and onwards. This is stated to include the arrears assigned to the Mutt by the Lessee on the termination of the lease and that it is remittable. The bulk of the arrears is time barred being more than three years old. Instructions have been issued to the Agent for taking immediate steps for the recovery of the arrear within three years and send a special report within 2 months regard irrecoverable amounts with full reasons for allowing the same to become time barred.

There are three accounts maintained in the Agent's Office in respect of Debt Head transactions, viz., Loans, Advances, and Depos Under Deposits the transactions relate mostly to transfer of funds from one village account to another village account each being trea as a separate unit for account purposes. There is absolutely no need for such a procedure but on the other hand it creates confusi and the Agent has been asked to treat all the estates under his cha as one unit for purposes of accounts, keeping separate D.C.B., state ments for each of the villages. According to the loan account a balance Rs.2034-12-0 was outstanding on 1-7-35 on pro-notes and bonds, a sum of Rs.159-4-0 was recovered during 35-36 leav a balance of Rs.1875-8-0 on 1st July 1936. Out of this Rs.1000/- is in respect of a house in Pannandai village which has been secured with possession for a period of 10 years and this period has not yet expired. In respect of a debt of Rs.556-8-0 decrees have been obtained in courts and execution proceedings are under progress. The balance of Rs.319/-is outstanding on pro-notes which are all kept

From an examination of the advance account it is seen that a sum of Rs.1463-12-2 is outstanding against the marginally noted persons as advances. The agent himself is responsible for Rs.1330/- and freely made use of the collections received by him and shown it as advance against him in the accounts.

1. Nagaratnam Pilli, late Peshkar.	17- 9- 9.
2. Muthuveeram Pilli, deceased.	5- 0- 0.
3. Pakkirisami Chettiyar, advance remaining out of advance made for tank repairs.	84- 0- 7.
4. S. Subramanya Iyer. Local agent	1330- 0- 0.
5. Peshkar Narayaniyer. ...	4-14-10.
6. Karnam Venkatrama Iyengar.	23- 3-10.
	1463-12- 2.

The total amount due to the Mutt under all heads in the several villages upto 24th August as per accounts, is Rs.11,699-4-7 as detailed in the margin. Out of the above a sum of Rs.1489-2-0 being a portion of the advance outstanding and the cash balance unnecessarily remaining with the agent and the peshkars and credited to the Indian Bank, Madura Branch, to the Mutt account. The other peshkars and karnams did not turn up in time and therefore the monies remaining with them could not be caused to be remitted to the Bank. There is a balance of Rs.1845-4-2 of Peshkist due to Ramnad Zamindari. The agent has been instructed to collect the arrears of assessment and advances and loans outstanding and adjust the peshkist due.

Arrears of cash rent.	7802- 2- 7.
Loans.	1868- 8- 0.
Advances outstanding.	1464-12- 2.
Cash balance with the agent & Peshkars.	563-13-10.
	11,699- 4- 7.

The following items of expenditure have been provided for in the budget estimates of the Mutt for 1935-36 in connection with the management of the villages in question.

i) Agent's office 91-0-0. per mensem.
ii) Village establishment. 73-12-0 per mensem.
iii) T.A. and law charges. 599-0-0 per annum.

But in every year for the past five years the expenditure has been very much more than the budget provision and during 35-36 it has been so much as Rs.3220-13-7 against an income, Rs.5772/-. The expenditure under T.A. alone has come to Rs.494-10-6. While the income of the village has gone on deteriorating the expenditure has been increasing and it is almost 55.75 % of the income in 1935-36.

Mr. Subrahmanya Iyer has been the Agent for over 12 years

and had been managing the estates under
until the management was assumed by Government.
with the accounts and has an intimate knowledge of the
and has a good grip over the work in the villages. But does n
been to be prompt in collection and other work and has not been
responsive to orders issued from this Office. The amounts collect
have not been finding their way to the Jahgir Treasury as they are
collected and voidable items of expenditure are being incurred
without any regard to the budget provision. With a view to preven
such irregularities in future it is necessary that the Agent should
be prevented from handling the collections and that the expenditure
should be controlled from this Office. The Mutt has got a current
account in the Indian Bank at Madura. The Peshkars who are respons
ble for collections in villages may with advantage remit the
collections to the Bank direct once a month or more often and send to
the agent only the certified cheelans along with their monthly accour
for incorporation in the Agent's Office. As regards expenditure a
scale of establishment necessary and the expenditure therefor may be
fixed and communicated to the agent and every month the agent may sen
bill to this Office which will be scrutinized and a cheque issued
for the amount due. From a study of the local condition and in views
of the opinion of the agent himself the following scale of establishm
seems to be quite adequate for the present.

	per year
i) One Agent @ Rs.50/- per mensem.	600
(a) One clerk on Rs.25/- "	300
ii) Three Peshkars @ 1 (15), 1(20) and 1 (10) per mensem.	540
iii) Menial establishment @ 1(6), 5(2), and 1(4)	240
Total establishment. --	1680/-
2. T.A. to establishment	300
3. Contingency	50
4. Law charges.	150
Grand total.-	2180/-

The work of the Agent may be confined to consolidating maintaining the accounts properly, visiting the Villages once a month scrutinizing the baki pattis and rendering assistance to Peshkars in collection work and instituting coercive proceedings wherever necessary and exercising general control over the work of

Peshkars. By this arrangement it will be possible to secure the ervices of the agent to the best advantage of the Mutt and minimize the irregularities brought to light. The Agent's Office is now located in Tirupattur in one of the Agent's houses mortgaged to the Mutt, which is 52 miles from Madura and far away from the Mutt villages. It will conduce to more effective control and better supervision of the agent and economise T.A. charges if the Office of the Agent is shifted to Madura itself where there is accomodation for locating the Office in the Mutt buildings. I request approval to action taken accordingly and to change the agency if he does not show good improvement in his work within the next three months.

Further the system of collecting rents in kind and realising money therefor through local agency is troublesome and ill fruitful. The villages as far as possible may also be leased out after obtaining good securities as lessees are easily available. During my itineration I made enquiries into the matter. For the Pannandal villages comprising Pannandal division and for Bendranadi village persons have come forward to take them on lease for Rs.1500/- and Rs.600/- respectively and to deposit the Agent's demand as security. The applications received are enclosed herewith. Deducting the Peshkar's and cesses due on the Pannandal villages the Mutt will remain to the tune of Rs.800/- for Pannandal division villages and Rs.400/- for Bendranadi. (The average income for Pannandal division village during the preceding five years is Rs.1503-3-11 and the average expenditure including cesses and cesses is Rs.1684-6-6. Similarly for Bendranadi village during the past five years the average income is Rs.[illegible] and expenditure Rs.1 5-12-[illegible] considering the average net income derived from these villages for the past five years, the lessees offer now received is not at all adequate. If the intention to lease out the villages is agreed to, the present lessees and tenders will be asked to state if they will offer more. If approval is accorded action will be taken and the results reported. In Tirupattur taluk Pudupatti there are small extents of land reserved to the Mutt which are cultivated under varam tenure. If the tenancy is to be given up there are persons ready to take it up. An application from certain

of Thavarharendal was received at Madura
per Sal of land is also enclosed. There are about
Thavatharendal alone and the disposal of the tenancy-right
an income of Rs.1500/-. A separate reference will be made in th
and orders obtained.

The Mutt at Madura has been kept in good condition. The institution has got an income of Rs.27-3-0 being the rent realised from shop attached to it. The expenditure including the contrib of Rs.10/- due per annum to the Dharma Sastra Sabha and the expendi of Rs.50/- incurred for conducting sevas on behalf of the Mutt in Sri Meenakshi Temple is Rs.345-3-10. The last two items are being contributed out of the general funds of the Mutt.

The accounts in respect of the properties in Rameswaram have been received in this office for the last 2 years. When I visited Rames waram the local Manager Mr. Maddur Chandra Moulisvara Sastri wa in station and I learnt that he was absent from head quarters since or three months. Therefore it was not possible for me to have the accounts relating to the Mutt properties in Rameswaram. I have writ to him to immediately send all the accounts. When I inspected the Mutt buildings one of it was found in neglected condition and it seem the local manager is not evincing proper interest in the management the properties. In the opinion of some of the influential disciple of the Mutt, a change of managers is likely to improve matters. The Opinion of His Holiness will be obtained and action taken separa in this behalf.

sd/ Y Sitakanthiah
Officer-in-charge,
Sringeri Jangir.

"Copy"
C Balakrishna 22/9/36
Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District.

OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, 31st ~~29th~~ January *193* 8

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From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Management of the properties of Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

With reference to para 3 of your letter No.C.1364/35-36 dated 18th January 1937 on the above subject, I am directed to request you to be so good as to state whether the officer-in-charge has since visited the other properties and submitted proposals about the management of the outside properties of Sri Sringeri Mutt as a whole.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For General Secretary to Govt.

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Subj:— Management of the properties of Sri Sringeri Mutt Situated outside the State

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Date of issue 31st January 1938 Sd.

Signed by Mr S.H. Venkatramana Iyer

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

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Bangalore, 7th November 1938

FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

GENERAL SECRETARY. 10 NOV. 1938

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esqr., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore
General *Department*

SIR,

Management of the Properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.-

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At Enclo.

In continuation of my letter No.C.1364/35-36(6) dated 19th October 1938 regarding the above, I have the honor to forward herewith for information of Government, a copy of letter No.S2.(6)4019/35-36 dated 27th October 1938 together with those of its enclosures received from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, regarding the progress made in respect of several items connected with the management of the properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State and requesting orders in the matter of sending the Officer-in-Charge of Sringeri Jahagir to Madura for about 10-15 days to attend to the work connected with the verifying of baki-patties, leasing of the lands in the several villages and also the general management of the Mutt properties in the area to the best advantage of the Mutt. In the circumstances reported by the Deputy Commissioner, I have approved of the proposal to send the Officer-in-Charge to Madura to attend to the work as indicated in the Deputy Commissioner's letter. The Deputy Commissioner will be requested to submit a report of work done by the Officer-in-Charge after he visits the properties in that area and on receipt of the report, a further communication will be made.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M N Anantharaman

For Muzrai Commissioner.
Absent from Head Quarters

Letter No.S2.4019/35-36 dated 27th October 1938 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore.

Management of the properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

With reference to your memo No.C.1364/36 dated 19th January 1937 and in continuation of this office No.S2.4019/35-6 dated 17th March 1 38 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of letter No.443, dated 5th May 1938 received from the Officer-in-Charge, Sringeri.

2. A statement in juxtaposition showing the further proposals made by the Officer in charge in respect of several items and the remarks noted by me against each item is also enclosed for favour of orders.

3. In this connection, I wish to state that the following items* in the statement annexed still require attention, and as these subject form matters of separate correspondence with you, it seems to me desirable to treat these as separate currents and watch their further progress instead of watching them through these unwieldy statements. I also consider that it is very necessary in view of the position deisclosed in the present report that the Officer in charge should proceed to Madura immediately, review the bakipatties and see about the leasing of the lands in the Pannadi Division villages and Sandanadi, Thavattarendal, Pallangudi, villages and also the general management of the mutt properties in this area to the best advantage Now that His Holiness is at Bangalore, it will be quite possible for the Agenty to camp, if necessary even for about 10-15 days in these areas so as to attend to all the above and if you agree, I shall issue instructions to him accordingly

* 2 & 3 4, 6, 8, 14 & 15 17 & 18, 20.

Early orders are solicited.

Letter No.443 Dis.37-38 dated 5-5-38 from the Officer-inCharge, Sringeri, to the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, Chikmagalur.

With reference to your memo No.S2.4019/35-36 dated the 2nd May 38, forwarding copy of letter No.S2.4019/35-36 dated the 2nd May 38 to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, reporting about the non-submission of the information called for in your Memo No.S2.4019 dated 30-3-38 regarding action taken on the proposals for the management of properties in Madura

and

and Ramnad Districts, I have the honour to state that has already been taken on the several points mentioned in statement by submitting individual reports and obtaining orders thereon. A statement showing the several items on which action had to be taken and nature of action taken so far is enclosed for reference.

" COPIES."

M. N. Ramachandran.

For Muzrai Commissioner.

No. C.1364/35-36.
Encl: Three.

Office of the Muzrai Commissioner
in Mysore,
Bangalore. Dated 22nd August 1939.

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S. ABDUL WAJID, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

J. APPAJI GOWDA, ESQ., B.A.(Hons.),
General Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

GENERAL 24 AUG. 1939

Sir,

Management of the Properties of the Sri Sringeri Mutt situated outside the State.

In continuation of this Office letter No.C.1364/35-36, dated 1st August 1939 regarding the above, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of letter No.S2. 4019/35-36 dated 7th August 1939 together with copies of its enclosures received from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, explaining the progress of action taken in respect of several items connected with the management of the above properties, as a result of the visit made by the Officer-in-Charge of Sringeri Jahagir to Madura and other places. Kind reference is invited to this Office letter No.C.773/37-38 dated 16th August 1939 regarding the items 2 and 3 in the statement.

2) Action is being taken separately regarding items 8 and 11 in respect of which reports have been received in this Office.

3) The Deputy Commissioner, has been requested to forward his further report regarding the progress of further action taken on the remaining items.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Abdul Wajid

Muzrai Commissioner.

no arrears against them for faslis 1345 and 1346. In these cases. the Honorary Agent opined that in view of the heavy court costs involved. it would not be desirable to institute rent suits now in all cases and that he would try to recover the bulk of the arrears after the current harvest is over and that the filing of suits against the defaulters may be considered afterwards. I agree with the Honorary Agent.

As regards the leasing of Mutt's lands, I beg to state that except Tarendal and Pullangudi villages, there are no other villages in which panna lands, that is, lands in respect of which both the kudivaram and melvaram rights vest in the Mutt exist. The Honorary Agent has taken action to lease out the same for a period of three years in the above villages.

During my visit to Tavattarendal, I ascertained if any persons were prepared to purchase the Kudivaram rights in respect of the above lands. On account of financial stringency among the ryot population in the area nobody came forward to do so. The arrangement now made by the Honorary Agent is quite advantageous to the Mutt and may be allowed to continue until the expiry of the period of the lease.

As regards the general management of the Mutt properties, I beg to state the arrangement of leasing out the villages of Pannandai Division for an annual rent is not feasible now as proper offers are not forthcoming. Besides, the lease system has got its own disadvantages, as the lessee cares more for his own profits rather than to the interest of the ryot or to the proper maintenance of irrigation works etc. It iss since learnt that when the villages had been leased out on a former occasion, the village not only deteriorated but that the Mutt had to go to Court to take back possession of the village after the expir of the period. The Honorary Agent has as an alternative suggested that the management of Panandi Division villages may if possible be entrusted to the Raja of Ramnad to minimise the cost of establishment etc., and a report on this will be submitted after consulting His Holiness in the matter.

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M. N Ananthan

For Muzrai Commissioner.

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To

The M. C.

Subject — Management of the properties of Sri Venkata Mutt situated outside the State.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. C 1364/35-36 of 22/8/1939 submitting a proper report of action taken in respect of the several items connected with the management of the above properties, I am directed to state that in future only a D.C.B. Statement (every half year) as on March 31st may be submitted for the information.

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I am also to request you to be so good as to issue instructions to the Officer in charge of Sri Ranjeri Mill respectfully to have no objection to collect the recoverable arrears & to take timely action wherever necessary & that the Mill Agent will be held responsible if any amount should become irrecoverable in future on account of their inaction. The letter of the D.C. Karimganj No 7/8/39 addressed to you is enclosed herewith.

Yours etc
Jan 1939
for Engineer

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